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Peruvian Commems Perform Double Duty

The Direction General of Posts and Telegraphs, Lima, Peru reports the issuance on April 7 of a set of three commems which serve double duty in marking two important events in the country's history. Noted aer the centenaries of the electric telegraph between Lima and Callao, and of establishing of the province of callao.

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The set shows: 40c brown and dark pink, portrait of Carlos Paz Soldan who is credited with having brought the first telegraph ing brought the first telegraph system to the country; 1 Sol light and dark green, portrait of President Ramon Castilla under whose administration the utility was introduced in 1858; and 1.25S. black and purple, aerial view of Callao and portrait of current chief executive, Dr. D. Manuel Predo.

Charles Ekker of Lima submitted a first day cover and the further explanation that Lima is the nation's capital and that Callao, 8 miles away, is its seaport. Although the two are in separate provinces politically, Callao is now in fact a suburb of Lima which has over one million inhabitants.

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A Comprehensive Review Of The Postal Stationery Of The Ryukyu Islands Since 1945

Belmont Faries

Interest of United States collectors in the nation has been stimulated by the booming popularity of Ryukyu stamps and the inclusion of the postal stationery in the Minkus New American Stamp Catalog, which provides a simplified, well-illustrated and readily available source of information. An effort to provide a more specialized listing now seems desirable.

This study is based primarily on the extensive collection of stationery owned by J. N. Wong, president of the International Ryukyu Stamp and Coin Society and on notes in the Society's IR-SACS Bulletin. Mr. Wong also has provided material for the illustrations. It is hoped that other collectors will volunteer additions and corrections based on their own specialized material.

The postal history information Interest of United States collectors in the nation has been stimu-

own specialized material.

The postal history information on the provisional stationery is derived largely from the pioneer work by MORI Katsutaro of the Japanese Institute of Philately in KITTE KENKYU. KITTE SHUMI and YUSHU also have been helpful in other fields.

Articles in Japanese Philately.

Articles in Japanese Philately, official publication of the International Society for Japanese Philately, by Mr. Mori, Robert P. Alexander, Robert M. Spaulding Jr. and SERA Minoru also have provided needed information provided needed information— Stanley P. Billey has been helpful.

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In an effort to return the ordinary business of government to civilian control as quickly as possible, military teams set up four separate gunto or island group administrations, each with its own postal system. These were not merged until April 1, 1950. During the period of the provisional postal stationery the four postal (Continued on page 20)

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Stimulation Dates From 1948 U.S. Administration Issue; Now Fostered Internationally

With the 1948 release under U.S. Administration of a set of Ryukyu Islands definitives, philatelists immediately began the specialized collecting of the Ryukyuan postal issues. The International Ryukyu Stamp and Coin Society was formally organ-ized in January 1951 to promote the study and collecting interest of the stamps of these islands.

To assure the continued existence of the organization, the founding members agreed to underwrite all expenses for the first ten years. They also decided to close the group's membership during this period.

this period.

The Society aims to promote scholarly study in these interesting issues and already has several achievements in this field. In 1952, the second year of its existence, it published the "Checklist of the Stamps and Coins of the Ryukyu Islands", a 32-page booklet which is still the primary source of information on the subject.

In 1954 it began the regular publication of the "IRSACS Bul-letin" eight times a year, and in 1956 it contributed to the Ryukyus section of the Minkus American Catalog. At present it is complet-Catalog. At present it is completing work on monographs on the specialized collecting of the Ryukyu Islands, the 10 yen on 50 sen surcharge, and the postal stationery of the country.

The society conducts limited services for specialists and opens its service department to nonmembers for buying and selling. Service circulars listing items of

members for buying and selling. Service circulars listing items offered are issued several times a year. Anyone desiring a sample copy of the IRSACS Bulletin can obtain it by sending 10c to cover expenses to IRSACS, Box 75666 Sanford Sta., Los Angeles 5, California. California.

The group has prepared several special issues on the Ryukyu Islands for Linn's Weekly Stamp News over the years. These have been invaluable to students of Ryukyu postal history. The Society welcomes articles and companys for publication in the Bulleting in the ments for publication in the Bulletin.

There is still much research that needs to be done.

Although the Ryukyu Islands have been under U. S. administration since 1945, there has been a constant agitation for their return to Japanese control. With interest in both the U. S. and Japan focused on these islands, there

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The flurry of interest in Ryukyus and other active issues in the spring of 1957 was reflected by a sharp rise in catalog prices of all emissions. Due to the limited issues of this country, we can expect prices to remain firm with requiring interest emongst called mounting interest amongst collec-

Collectors desiring to specialize in the Ryukyus should begin by purchasing a copy of the Checklist for \$2.50 and a copy of the latest Minkus American Catalog, and subscribing to the IRSACS Bulletin which is \$4 per year for new subscribers.

In addition to the Ryukyus, IRSACS and its publications include related collecting fields such as Taiwan and other areas of the Far East. Its Bulletin has carried excellent articles on issues of the Japanese Occupation of China, the Revenue stamps of Taiwan, and the Postal Sovings issues of and the Postal Savings issues of Taiwan.

As many of the philatelic agencies in this area are anxious to sell to U. S. collectors, the Bul-letin is often able to furnish information in addition to that in the philatelic press.

The Society has three specialized studies on issues of the Ryukyu Islands lined up and ex-pects to publish them soon. An-nouncements of their sale will be made in the philatelic press.

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The International Ryukyu Stamp and Coin Society (IRSACS) was formed in January 1951 with the avowed purpose of collecting, studying and popularizing the issues of the Ryukyu Islands. The group is interested in hearing from all enthusiasts who collect any phase of the philately of the Ryukyus or related areas.

All communications should be addressed to the society at P. O. Box 75666 Sanford Stn., Los Angeles 5, Calif.

George Mason-Gunston Hall Stamp Continues Long List Of 3c Commems; FD, Lorton, Va.

The commemorative stamp announced four months ago to note the 200th anniversary of the building of Gunston Hall, an outstanding example of early American architecture, will be issued June 12 at Lorton, Va. This is the post office which actually serves

the area in which the mansion is located.

The stamp will serve also to honor the pioneer home-loving patriot and legislator who built the Hall, George Mason. Although not widely known through the pages of popular history, Mason was

patriot and legislator who built the not widely known through the pag an outstanding figure of his age.—
He served as a member of the Virginia constitution convention of 1776, and prepared the famous Virginia Declaration of Rights. It in turn served as the model of the Federal Bill of Rights which was made a part of the Constitution by the First Congress of the then infant United States September 25, 1789, and finally ratified into law December 15, 1791.
Gunston Hall was actually the handiwork of architect-builder William Buckland who had been brought over as an indentured servant. The construction was done during the years 1755-58.
The building is of brick, Georgian in style with a steep pitched roof and tall chimneys. From the outside it is graceful but not imposing. The interior, however, is one of the most impressive left from Colonial times. It is noted especially for the richly detailed

from Colonial times. It is noted especially for the richly detailed wood carvings of its Chinese Chippendale and Palladium

The new adhesive will be printed in light green by rotary press, electric-eye perforated, and issued in sheets of 50 in an edition of 120 million. It is of nor-

tion of 120 million. It is of normal commemorative format, arranged horizontally, in the .84 x 1.44-inch size.

Rene Clarke (baptized James Alfred Clarke) was the artist for this stamp. Mr. Clarke, nicknamed Rene for trying to spread the teaching of Rene Vincent of Paris was born in Fuetic Florida. Paris, was born in Eustis, Florida

Paris, was born in Eustis, Florida in 1886.

He is a member of the Art Directors Club, Society of Illustrators, Hudson Valley Art Assn., Philadelphia Water Color Club, American Water Color Society, and a Trustee of the Hudson Art Museum. He is the recipient of a Harvard Business School gold medal, and five Art Directors Club gold medals. For many years Mr. Clarke was associated with the New York advertising agency of Calkins and Holden, Inc.

Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of this stamp may send addressed envelopes to the Postmaster at Lorton, Va., together with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers Gunston Hall Stamp".

Commem Slogan Cancels For 9 Cities

Commemorative slogan cancellations have been authorized by the Post Office Department for a number of local celebrations. Suffolk, Va. will mark 350 years of progress at a Suffolk-Nansemond Festival with a cancel April 21.—May 17

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Other markings will include the sesquicentennial of Castile, N.Y. to be noted April 16-July 18, while Buchanan, Mich. (April 1-July 26) and Carey, Ohio (April 15-July 12) will note the first century of their existence.

Three 75th anniversary slogan cancellations have been authorized. One, which will be in use at San Juan, P.R. July 4—December 31, will mark the 75th anniversary of the Civil Service Act.

Harrington, Nebr. will mark its diamond jubilee with a cancellation May 1—June 3, and Garden City, Kansas, will note its similar celebration with a cancel from May 8 through August 29. Another Kansas community, Hutchinson, will utilize a promotional slogan cancellation "Home Fire Inspections Save Lives" May 1—October 31.

The Ryukyuan Philatelic Agency

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A new director was recently appointed to the Agency and steps have been taken to expedite the handling of orders from abroad.

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The sales list shows several commemoratives on sale in addition to the current regular issue. The 50 sen of the 1950 issue and the complete second airmails are still available. An important deletion from the current list is the 6 yen Perry. The second airmails, currently available at face, will someday become very good property. property.

The agency operates almost along the same lines as the U. S. philatelic agency in Washington. It can not supply stamps which are no longer current and can not fill orders for imprint blocks. However, it will process first day covers. In this connection, as well as in handling stamps, collectors as in handling stamps, collectors must bear in mind that the cli-mate in the Ryukyus is very humid and stamps with gum will stick together and gummed en-velope flaps stick unless pro-tected by wax paper.

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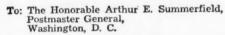
It seems that at a meeting of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee held last fall that the issue of a stamp commemorating W. D. Boyce who is said to be the founder of the Boy Scouts of America as well as the Lone Scouts of America, was approved for issuance this year. Shortly thereafter the name was removed from the list because

of a misunderstanding as to the birthdate of Mr. Boyce.

of Mr. Boyce.

It appears that this misundertanding has now been cleared and that there is authentic legal proof in the hands of the Postmaster General setting the birthdate as June 16, 1858. It is thus apparent that the date of June 16, 1958 will be the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of W. D. Boyce and an appropriate date for the issue of the stamp which was approved issue of the stamp which was approved last fall. Interested parties from all over the nation are appealing to the Postmaster General to issue this stamp and the following letter is suggested as an appropriate appeal. priate appeal.

To our interested readers we would suggest that you write a letter in this vein to the Postmaster General and support the request for this stamp which is of the type that should have first consideration.



GEORGE W. LINN

Subject: Re-instatement of the recommendation of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee for the comemorative stamp honoring the 100th anniversary in 1958 of the birth of W. D. Boyce, founder of Boy Scouts of America and Lone Scouts of America.

I am writing to ask you to re-instate the W. D. Boyce commemorative stamp which your Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee considered and passed on last fall . . . and then dropped from their list because of a misunderstanding in the birthdate of Mr. Boyce.

By an authentic legal paper now in your office showing the correct date, June 16, 1858, this matter has now been cleared.

William Dickson Boyce should be honored by a commemorative stamp for no single American has done a greater service for the boys of America than when he brought Scouting to our country, interesting other men in the idea, helping to organize the Boy Scouts of America in 1910 and the Lone Scouts of America in 1915, largely financing both organizations himself at their start.

Some twenty Senators and Representatives as well as many

Some twenty Senators and Representatives as well as many prominent men and women all over the country are "backing" this idea for a Boyce commemorative stamp and have written you. But for an error in "Who's Who", your Advisory Committee would have your Advisory Committee would have recommended it to you last fall.

You know what Scouting has meant to our boys the past 47 years. Had a certain unhappy Austrian lad by the name of Adolph been a Boy Scout, he might have found a joyous boyhood, full of the ideals of brotherhood, good will and kindness. And the world would have been different! Every boy is an atom bomb in human history! Under the kind of Scoutmaster we have today, a certain Russian boy might have learned the lessons of democratic cooperation... and perhaps we would never have known about "iron curtain". Boys are the makers of history and the builders of tomorrow! tion . . . and perhaps we would never have known about "iron curtain". Boys are the makers of history and the builders of tomorrow

All America is grateful to the man who brought Scouting and its ideals to the youth of our country. That man should be given every honor possible. Will you please re-instate the W. D. Boyce Commemorative Stamp on your list for 1958?

Thank you.

Food For Thought For The Speculator

For you who are inclined now and then to take a flyer in the in-For you who are inclined now and then to take a flyer in the investment side of stamp collecting here are two instances of speculative events which should give you much food for thought. To out guess the stamp market is a very difficult matter. Difficult because there are so many things which enter into the matter over which you have no control. Much of the speculation that is apparent at times is engineered by certain groups who will tout a stamp or an issue and then unload their holdings at a fictitious price after which they will jump on to another stamp or issue and leave you holding the bag on the other stamps they had been pushing;

Back in 1935 Great Britain issued its Silver Jubilees for the Colonies and Dominions. I believe this set came into the market in the first place for about \$60. In less than a year it was offered at \$100 or more. Not too many people had tried to lay in a sufficient supply and there was the result of this lack of foresight.

In 1937 the British issued a Coronation set. Here thought the smart boys was a chance for a killing. Look how the Jubilees went up! So the boys all jump in and buy Coronations. I know of one dealer who had such a load that he began to worry about them. Prices started in around \$15 for the complete works and have hardly moved since then except for some up and down fluctuation on account of large holders trying to unload.

The above is an example of a big success followed by a flop. Now in U. S. circles we have an example of just the reverse of this same story. Cipex sheets, face 15c, were issued in 1947. That is twelve years ago. Many of the boys who bought have unloaded long ago, glad to get off the hook. Others are holding on thinking that some day these sheets will move and they certainly will, but just when readdy can predict just when nobody can predict.

Then along came Fipex. Those who had invested in Cipex remembered that experience quite well so they let the Fipex alone. Then the Post Office Department did what it should have done with all these issues a long time ago. After a limited period of time they destroyed the remainders—as a result just about 20% as many Fipex sheets were saved by collectors as there were Cipex. Present prices are a result of these facts.

So you can see just what pitfalls there are in speculating. Better all save your money and buy a fine copy of the 5c and 10c 1847. If a couple thousand collectors would do that during this year, both of those stamps would jump to double their present value.



"Old Joe here is in the junk busi ness . . . collects perfins, Russian stamps and triangles!"

VOX POP

Mr. Carl P. Rueth, Editor Linn's Weekly Stamp News Sidney, Ohio

Dear Mr. Rueth:

In the April 7 issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp News, a portion of the editorial related to the damaging of stamps through the use of waxed paper as an interleaving. Since I am both a philatelist and chemist whose specialty is the wax and waxed paper in question, I have a few comments which might interest your readwhich might interest your read-

The statements made in your The statements made in your editorial were correct; the use of waxed paper as an interleaving will probably result in a staining of the stamps. However, in most cases, the wax stain may be removed by soaking the damaged stamps in carbon tetrachloride, the fluid used in the detecting of watermarks.

This fluid is an excellent solvent for the waxes which are used in the coating or impregnating of paper. Of course, care should be taken to avoid prolonged use of this, or any other type, solvent, since many of the inks used for the printing of stamps are fugitive in nature and will "run". In the case of carbon tet I find the reds and oranges to be the worst offenders.

It should also be emphasized that prolonged breathing of these fumes, or extensive contact with the liquid, should be avoided, since it is highly toxic in nature. Carbon tet, as well as any other solvent, should be handled only in a well-ventilated, spacious area.

Although this is my first correspondence with your paper, I have been reading it for a number of years. I thoroughly enjoy each issue and hope you continue the fine job you are doing.

Very truly yours, (Signed) Frederick Gaab Brooklyn, N. Y.

New Zealand Health Pair Due August 20

The 1958 New Zealand Health The 1958 New Zealand Health Stamps are expected to go on sale August 20, according to the New Zealand Post Office Philatelic Bulletin. Values will be the same as last year: 2d + 1d and 3d + 1d, with the surcharge in each case accruing to the King George V Memorial Children's Health Camps Federation fund.

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June 25 — Mackinac Straits Bridge, Mackinac City and St. Ignace, Mich.
(No further details).

July 24 — Simon Bolivar "Champions of Liberty", 2 values, Washington, D.C. (No further details).

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Aug. 15 — Atlantic Cable, New York, N. Y.

Aug. 27 — Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Freeport, III.

Sept. 19 — Lajos Kossuth "Champions of Liberty", 2 values, Washington, D.C. (No further details). tails).

Sept. 22 — Journalism, Columbia, Mo.
Oct. 10 — Overland Mail, San

Francisco, Calif.
Oct. 16 — Noah Webster, West
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Oct. 27 -- Forest Conservation Tucson, Ariz.

Dec. 12 — John Jay 15c regu-

Details as to denomination, color and design of all the above stamps will be announced when available.

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1100 — Gardening 3c, Ithaca,
N. Y., March 15.

—Liberty 8c "Giori", Cleveland, Ohio, March 22.

1101 — Brussels Exhibition 3c, Detroit, Mich., April 17. —Revere 25c regular, Boston,

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June 4—Explorer, LaVerendrye 5c. (50 per pane, 20 millions).
June—Canadian Nurses Assn. centennial. (No further details).
July — 350th Anniversary of Quebec. (No further details).
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CARL P. RUETH

A lady reader brought up a good point. Her letter commented in agreement with the adverse criticism given to the Gardening, Monroe and Geophysical designs in the April 7 Notes. She asked, "While I feel the Geophysical design is an extremely noor one.

"While I feel the Geophysical design is an extremely poor one, don't you think it has some symbolism pertaining to the theme?" I most assuredly do — but only to about 500,000 of our 170 million citizens at the most. In that figure I include scientists, students, teachers and some of the upper intelligence level people of the nation. Those who through their professional work know that the sun has a very high influence on the physical phenomena of our earth, and those who know the story of the painting from which the two fingers were borrowed. borrowed.

borrowed.

Some very good stories, written for the layman, have appeared in various popular publications about the Geophysical Year. The prominent part the sun plays has been emphasized. However the great bulk of our population has only a hazy notion of what it is all about. A look at the Geophysical design won't tell them. It looks like a couple of kids playing around a bonfire with a good chance of them getting their fingers burned. And by golly when you come right down to it maybe all scientific investigation and experience is accompanied with a great many "burned fingers"!

with a great many "burned fingers"!

I believe there are artists who could devise a design which when viewed by 85% of the citizenry would immediately make them say to themselves, "So this is what the Geophysical Year means." That same kind of symbolism should dominate all our designs, where it is required, the picture speaking rather than an overbundance of words. Wordiness is another fault of many of our stamps.

our stamps.
As a simple example, let us say As a simple example, let us say we wanted to honor a distinguished citizen on the 100th anniversary of his death. First we should use a good portrait, one perhaps known to some of the public; then a color such as deep purple, deep blue, black or dark gray to convey the fact of death having taken place; then very simply, the dates of his birth and death as, "1782-1858".

You don't need an inscription

is simply, the dates of his birth and death as, "1782-1858".

You don't need an inscription stating that this is the 100th anniversary of death. The date very pointedly establishes the fact, and the color would emphasize it.

Without doubt there are people around the country who have a talent for expressive symbolism—a talent which perhaps some have in combination with a comprehension of stampic artwork. Many fine artists would not qualify for stamp designing. And that's no discredit to them. However, let's do find the qualified designers and put them to work. In that same April 7 column I mentioned that a letter reproduced was written by, "A very high up personage in Bureau of Engraving and Printing affairs". This does not say that person is an employee of the Bureau or even a resident in that area. Perhaps this knowledge will relieve a few tensions and suspicions.

1. What commemorative pictures the Gates of St. Augustine?
2. The Ship "Savannah" pictured on the steamship issue of 1944 is driven by paddle-wheels located where?

Icoated where?

Many readers have dropped a note to the effect that the green ink on the Gardening commem will come off easily if you rub your thumb across it with a little pressure. I think what they're trying to set up (the ink actually does come off) is a pun whereby it is simple for the person interested in horticulture to have a "green thumb".

Therel I've said it, and I'm glad!

Indicated where?

A used pair on a piece of cover has it on the left stamp. A mint plate number block (Plate No. 25944, lower right) has it in the upper left stamp. This would be position 44 of the pane.

This seems to be a constant variety — look your copies over. Just check the "c" denoting cents for a white dot-like spot.

Man complain.

Man complain.

The April 1958 edition of the Postal Service News was a really outstanding publication. It is titled the "Postal Progress Issue", and that it certainly is.

and that it certainly is.

It is dedicated to showing the fine progress the service has made, and is making, in the processing of mail. Pictured are many of the fine new post offices throughout the nation most of which display the new thinking of the architects by having the postal patron dealt with at open counter-high facilities rather than through the old jail-like grills and closed wall areas.

Half of the pages are devoted

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ested dealers.
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to showing how mechanization systems are making things easier and more efficient for the personnel. Views are shown of operators processing mail for and through the "Bell" and "Transorma" letter sorters. Also modernized parcel post handling; and culling and cancelling machines which with two operators do the work formerly done by twelve. Hats off to PMG Summerfield and his people of the postal service!

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A postal slogan in use at Chicago, and probably other places about which I haven't heard, carabout which I haven't heard, carries a warning to the mail-using public. In a box is the legend, in three lines, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1959/MINIMUM SIZE FOR ENVELOPES/2-3/4" x 4".

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Donald R. McLeod, superintendent of the Engraving Division of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has been added as an exofficio member to the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

This should be recognized as a progressive step based on good intentions.

Ronald L. Meyer of Norfolk, Va. gave me reason to look through as many copies as I could find of the Gardening commem. He has submitted two copies in which there is a miscue within the "c" the cent mark. It is easily seen with the naked eye. Under a magnifying glass the disturbance seems to take on the appearance of a Greek letter or a Chinese character.

stamps he gets in mixtures — says many of them are cut close and feels that the seller has included them for bulk. This is

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FRENCH WORLD FAIR PAVILION. On April 12 France released a commemorative to note its participation in the Worlds Fair being staged at Brussels, Belgium. In black, dark brown and ultramarine, it pictures that nation's building on the Fair grounds. The denomination is 35fr. The cover was sent by Pierre A. Cubells, 2 Rue des Graviers, Soissons (Aisne), France.

Review Of '57 Postal Record Of Taiwan Discloses Union Of Tradition And Modern Thought

Dr. J. C. Adams

During 1957 the Directorate General of Posts of Taiwan published nine announcement bulletins. These were an innovation in the fact that they were made up in the form of mimeographed air-letter sheets which are a time and material saving over the previously used pages.

On March 1, 1957 a set of three ordinary stamps was released, in the values of 2c orange lake, 4c deep crimson, and \$1 chocolate brown. They were lithographed and bore the map of China with floral decorations as a border frame. Chinese characters superimposed on the face are translated "Recovery of Mainland".

The remaining three values of ...

posed on the face are translated. The remaining three values of the previously issued series were placed on sale on March 20. They were the 3c sky blue, 10c aster violet, and \$1.60 dark green. In neither instance did the postal department issue first day covered.

neither instance did the postal department issue first day covers or special cancels. Through the alertness of some philatelists on the Island, a few first day covers do exist.

In the original order, 200,000,000 of the stamps were to be lithographed but, due to technical reasons, this number was substantially reduced. Shown below are the numbers ordered and those actually printed:

Value	Ordered	Printed
10c	5,000,000	1,500,000
20c	60,000,000	10,000,000
30c	15,000,000	6,000,000
40c	100,000,000	10,000,000
\$1.00	10,000,000	7,500,000
\$1.60	10,000,000	7,000,000
The	next issue, which	is classi-

fied by the Postal Department as ned by the Postal Department as ordinary stamps, was titled, "Sublimity of Mother Teaching". It was released in two values, 40c green and \$3 burnt sienna with editions of 2,500,000 each. This set depicts two Chinese drawings illustrative of two famous stories in Chinese history.

in Chinese history.

The design on the 40c shows Menicus (372-289 P.C.) receiving his mother's injunction for devoted study. That on the \$3 shows the mother of Marshal Yueh Fei (1103-1141 A.D.) impressing her son with the virtue of loyalty to his country.

(1103-1141 A.D.) impressing her son with the virtue of loyalty to his country.

First day covers, bearing the same design as the stamps, were issued in quantities of 25,000 each. The stamps were released on the date which coincided with the celebration of Mothers Day in the United States — May 12.

In celebration of the centenary of the birth of the late Lord Baden-Powell and the 50th Anniversary of World Scouts, a set of three commems was issued on August 11. These stamps — 40c magenta, \$1 medium green and \$1.60 oriental blue — show the symbol of the Chinese Scouts with badges of the World Jamboree as the background. The title is on the left side of the stamp.

title is on the left side of the stamp.

The 40c was issued in the amount of 2,000,000 copies while there were 500,000 each of the \$1 and \$1.60 values.

Two first day cover designs were printed in quantities of 40,000 each. One shows the badges of the Chinese Scouts and those of the Jamboree while the other presents a portrait of Lord Baden-Powell as subject with Jamboree badges as the background. The 30th Anniversary of the Broadcast Service was recognized

on September 16 when three values were issued. The 40c orange, 50c magenta and \$3.50 blue show ***LAOS 18 (Bicolor), 27-40 (Cpl. cet), C5 (Diff. colors)

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***The 40c corange, 30c magenta and \$3.50 blue show a globe, broadcasting tower and a microphone and, in the background, radio waves spreading out from Taiwan to every part of the world. Two million of the 40c were issued and 500,000 each of the 50c and \$3.50 values. 50,000 multi-colored first day covers were prepared.

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was issued to recognize the Island Highway Construction on Taiwan. Depicted are the highways under Highway Construction on Taiwan.
Depicted are the highways under construction to distinguish the mestic Postcard was made when gigantic task involved and the invaluable service the project will render the country. The 40c medium green had an edition of peared on December 15.

2,000,000 while the \$1.40 sky blue and \$2 gray were printed in quantities of 500,000 each. The Postal Department made 60,000 multi-colored first day covers for the event.

The final commemorative set The final commemorative set of 1957 was released on December 16 to mark the 85th anniversary of the establishment of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co. The motif depicted is the new freighter "Hai Min" with the river vessel "Kiang Foo" as its background. Together they symbolize the advancement of the company from inland water navigation to ocean travel. Editions gation to ocean travel. Editions were: 40c reflex blue, 2,000,000; 80c maroon and \$2.80 bronze red, 500,000 each. 60,000 first day cov-

500,000 each. 60,000 first day covers were offered for sale and commemorative postmarks were available at all first and second class post offices for two weeks following date of issue. These were for philatelic purposes only. On December 25 the balance of the ordinary postage stamps, released on March 1 and 20 in lithographed printing, were issued by means of typography. The design remained the same but there was a change of colors of the central portion and the frame.

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	Value	Vignette	Issued
	3c	Milori blue	9,000,000
	10c	Aster violet	3,500,000
	20c	Fire red	50,000,000
	40c	Deep red	90,000,000
	\$1.00	Choc. brown	2,500,000
	\$1.60	Green	3,000,000
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group, as in the instance of the earlier releases, did not have first day covers.

Carrying out the design of the

Carrying out the design of the ordinary postage stamps, two domestic postcards were issued on February 25, 1957 with the 2c stamp in dark green. In quantity, 3,000,000 of the western type were offered along with 5,000,000 of the Chinese type.

The "Map of China" theme was used again on August 20 when

used again on August 20 when 500,000 Domestic Invitation Post-cards were placed on sale. The cards were placed on sale. The stamp and printing are in medium

stamp and printing are in medium red.

Domestic New Year Greeting Postcards (second print) were released November 1 in three color varieties, each of 20c value and with a deep red imprint on the front. Color combinations on the backs, and editions, are deep red and light orange, 1.6 million; deep red and lavender, 1.6 million; and deep red and gray, 1.8 million. lion; an million.

The designs show, on the front Chinese characters at the top in-dicating "Postal card of the Re-public of China" and the date of issue. An impression of a postage stamp bearing the map of China as the central design is imprinted as the central design is imprinted on the upper left hand corner. At the bottom a motto, "To follow the highest leader and to carry out the Three Principles of the People" is inscribed.

On the back four Chinese characters meaning "Wishing You a Happy New Year" are overprinted on a drawing of scenery.

International Flavor For '58 SPA Convention

The Society of Philatelic Americans will take on a foreign flavor later this year when it convenes its 64th convention, this time outside of American borders. The popular event will be held in Montreal, Canada in September. SPA Chapter 243, Union Philatelique de Montreal will sponsor the big affair.

It will coincide with the eighth exhibition of the Union Philatelique de Montreal and will be designated "EXUP VIII 1958". This dual occasion will assure one of the biggest and best philatelic events in Canadian history, according to the general chairman, Maurice Saint-Martin.

Utica Scouts Offer Camporee Cachet Cover

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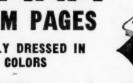
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BIRDS ARE FEATURED on the three semipostal sets issued by the three Spanish colonies of Spanish Sahara (crane), Spanish Guinea (pigeons) and Ifni (swallows). Values are identical, and the colors almost so, for each — 10c+5c red brown; 15c+10c olive brown; 50c+10c chocolate brown. The day of issue was March 6 with each colony using a special FD postmark. Carlos Lenze, Apartado No. 716, Madrid, Spain sent covers.

La Verendrye On 5c Canadian To Be Released June 4; Plate Blocks On Agency Stock Only

William Hamilton, Postmaster General of Canada, has announced details of a new design postage stamp to be issued on June 4. It will honor Pierre Gaultier de Varenne, Sieur de la Verendrye, famous French explorer of the early 1700's who penetrated to what is now western Canada via Rainy River and Lake of the Woods. La Verendrye was also responsible for the opening up of extensive trading activities in the western regions.

The stamp will be large size, horizontal format, blue in color and of 5c denomination. It was designed by Gerald Trottier, Ottawa, who used the figure of La Verendrye and an Indian from a sculptured monument created by Emile Brunet of Montreal. This artwork was unveiled by the St. William Hamilton, Postmaster General of Canada, has an-

artwork was unveiled by the St. Boniface Historical Society at St. Boniface, Manitoba, on Septem-ber 11, 1938.



Gerald Trottier was born in Ottawa in 1925. He attended the art student's league in New York in 1953 and won a Canada Foundation scholarship for study in Europe. He now has a studio in Ottawa where he works as a painter and as a graphic artist

in Ottawa where he works as a painter and as a graphic artist with a particular emphasis on lithography. He has a wife and two children.

The stamps are being printed by the Canadian Bank Note Co. Ltd. of Ottawa, Canada.

Collectors will be offered the opportunity of first day covers and the purchase of mint copies at face. Instructions are given below for each type service. These must be followed to avoid error and disappointment. error and disappointment.

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All patrons who desire to have first day covers bearing the new stamp, specially cancelled on the day of issue, are required to forward self-addressed envelopes to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ont., Canada, not to the Philatelic Section, to arrive not later than June 2.

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All must contain "fillers" and must be sealed or have the flaps turned in. To avoid errors the patron should mark on the cover, upper right hand corner, the quantity of stamps to be affixed to each. to each.

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Do not fold envelopes when forwarding through the mails. Enclose all in an outside wrapper marked "First Day of Issue". Return will be by ordinary mail unless it is specifically requested that they be returned by registered mail.

Covers to be returned by registered mail must include an additional 20c registration prepay-

ment fee.

Orders for first day cover service must not include orders service must not include of for mint or unused stamps. marks or inquiries not related di-rectly to the order for first day

rectly to the order for first day covers should be written on a separate piece of paper.

In addition to the cost of postage required to be affixed at ordinary, airmail or registered mail rates collectors required to rates, collectors must include in their remittance sufficient money to pay the Department's cover service fee amounting to 5c for

each forwarded for service.

The necessary space should be allowed if blocks of stamps are

ordered.
The Postmaster, Ottawa, not guarantee to supply plate blocks of four which will be dis-tributed as equitably as the sup-ply permits. The Philatelic Sec-tion will not handle first day cov-

Remittances for mint stamps

tawa 2, Ont., Canada.

The postage rate on first-class mail for delivery in North and South America, the British Commonwealth, France and Spain, is 5c. The first-class mail rate for Ottawa local delivery is 4c and for countries not mentioned above is 6c. The fee required for registration is 20c additional. Avoid covers being spoiled by postage due markings by prepaying sufficient postage. ing sufficient postage.

Remittances for first day cov-

Remittances for first day covers are to be made payable to the "Receiver General of Canada" are to be made payable to the "Receiver General of Canada" and sent directly to the Post Office Department, Philatelic Section, Financial Branch, Ottawa 4, Ont., Canada. Orders for the stamp in selected mint condition may now be sent to the Philatelic Section and the orders will be filled and returned at the earliest possible date after May 8, Remittances should be made

Remittances should be made by means of postal money order or bank draft in Canadian funds, payable to the "Receiver Gen-eral of Canada". Patrons from countries other than Canada or the United States should forward remittances by means of an International Money Order. Postal Notes cannot be accepted. If cash is sent, it should be in a registered package. Postage stamps are not acceptable as a remittance.

8c "Giori" FD Data: Further On 8c Plates

Figures released by the Post Office Department show that when the new "Giori" printing of the slightly altered & Liberty stamp was given first day of sale in Cleveland, Ohio March 22, a total of 223,899 first day covers was canceled. There were 505,533 stamps sold, with a face value of \$40,442.64.

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ue of \$40,442.64.
According to the official report for February, two additional numbers, 25950 and 25955, have been assigned to the new design. Further information is also avail-

Further information is also available on the earlier flat and rotary press printings.

POD records show that plates numbered 24931, flat, red, and 24941, rotary, red, were canceled March 29, 1957, without ever having been certified or printed. Rotary plates numbered 24923-24, blue, were canceled August 19, 1954, after 88,056 impressions of the former and 64,317 of the latter. All rotary press production was halted more than three years ago, reports as of March 15, 1955 indicate.

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According to Stamp-Ade, Co.,
Cleveland, Ohio, the list published in Linn's of April 7 omitted
flat plate, blue, numbered 24932.
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Among special guest exhibits will be those of the U. S. Post Office Department, the UN Postal Administration and the Ghana tal Administration and the Ghana Philatelic Agency. A post office substation will be in operation with a stock of current Agency commemoratives. It will also apply a special postmark to covers presented for such handling.

Collectors desiring these cancellations may send stamped addressed envelopes, with fillers and flaps tucked in or sealed, to David C. Morey, RD 1, Verona, N. Y. with a request for this service.

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Exhibition cacheted covers are offered with three different photographic reproductions of early Syracuse views. They are 10c each, 3 for 25c, from Mr. Morey. Reservations for the Saturday banquet at 6:30 p. m. in the Yates Hotel, Syracuse, may be made with L. J. Spitler, 945 Ackerman Ave., Syracuse 10, N. Y. at \$3 per plate. The prospectus and other information regarding the exhibition and bourse are obtainable from Frederick L. Scholl, 130 W. Jefferson St., Syracuse 2, N. Y.

Spanish Guinea Set **Emphasizes 4 Sports**

The April 10 set of eight sports stamps issued by Spanish Guinea are in that popular topical motif, as shown by a mint set submitted by Carlos Lenze, Madrid, Spain. Four designs are repeated once each to make the eight.



Two sparring boxers are shown on the 5c dark brown and 1 Peseta red orange; two leaping basketball players on the 10c brown and 2Pts. wine; a broad jumper on the 15c light brown and 2.30Pts. purple; and a sprinter breaking the tape on the 80c green and 3Pts. blue.

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The printings varied from 3 million each of the three lower values to 1.5 million for the 3Pts.

Meter Mail Meeting In Chicago, May 25

The fourth general assembly of the American Metered Postage Society will be held Sunday May 25 in the downtown YMCA Hotel in Chicago. It will also be the second international metered postage exhibition to be stagged by age exhibition to be staged by the group.

The entire event will be open

to members and non-members, with the exhibition hall open 9 a. m. to noon for the mounting of exhibits. The formal start will

be at 1 o'clock.

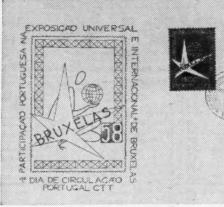
Souvenir metered mail covers will be serviced, at a charge of 10c plus postage per cover. Collectors may send addressed envelopes before May 15 to the president, Henry O. Meisel, Clintonville, Wis.

The exhibition is limited to three frames per exhibitor, with cash prizes of \$2 to \$15 to be cawarded. The entry fee is \$2 per frame. Further details and regulations can be obtained from Mr.

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Meisel.

An omni-denomination postage meter will be on display and in operation at the event. It will be used to imprint postage payments on the souvenir covers posted on the scene. Meter tapes will be offered at 10c each plus face value of the imprint.



PORTUGAL PAIR FOR WORLDS FAIR. Probably as colorful as any commemoratives issued to this date by any of the world's nations to note to Worlds Fair at Brussels, Belgium, are the two from Portugal. In four colors each — designs are alike — denominations and colors are 1 Escudo dark green, dark blue, yellow and red, and 3.30E. dark brown, dark blue, yellow and red. The cover was sent by D. J. Duarte of Portugal. A special postmark was used at Lisbon, April 7. the release date.

1957 Ryukyu Stamp Program Bespeaks Conservative Trend In Local Postal Administration

Despite the great popularity of its stamps the Ryukyus issued only a set of six airmails, two commemoratives and a postcard in 1957. To meet new airmail rates which had been in effect for some time, the post office released a new "Flying Goddess" on August 1.

These 15, 20, 35, 45, and 60 yen values were similar except in color and printing. They were issued in sheets of 50 with a two-line imprint. FDC's bear a cachet.

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The 15 yen rate was for firstclass mail to Japan and the 20
yen for Korea and Hong Kong.
The 35 yen adhesive was primarily for the U. S. The 45 yen
was for Canada while the 60 yen
rate took in Europe and most
of the rest of the world.

The third annual Newspaper
Week stamp appeared on October
1. It was blue and of the same
size as the two previous newspaper commems. However, instead of a person, it depicted a
pencil-missile flying over Okinawa, thus anticipating the Sputnik flight by a few days.

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FDC's of this issue bear a commemorative cancellation as well as a cachet. The former, in red shows a pen crossed over a pencil on a section of writing paper. The purple cachet again depicts a torch held aloft.
For the second time, the post office again issued a stamp and a postcard to mark the 1957-1958 New Year. The adhesive was a beautifully designed four-color job depicting the phoenix motif found on Ryukyuan cloth designs. FDC's bear a large blue cachet FDC's bear a large blue cachet of a lion-dog sitting beside pine

As heretofore, the stamp was paired with a 2 yen New Year postcard. The card pictures a liondog to mark the beginning of the year of the canine. This pink design was accompanied by pink phoenixes and wisteria sprigs

across the bottom. Both stamp and postcard were sold out De-cember 1, the first day of sale. The 1957 Anti-TB seal reverted

to the 20 stamp format and was issued perforate and imperforate. A large selvage on the right was used to advertise the Anti-TB society. These were printed by the Printing Bureau in Japan. The organization wisely issued a large number of imperforate seals, so that collectors were able to secure them without difficulty.

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For March 17, 1958 the Northwest Airlines prepared cacheted covers marking the 10th anniversary of its first commercial flight out of Okinawa which took off from Naha Mareh 17, 1948. This was officially known as FAM 28. First flight covers bore no stamps, but only a postage paid rubber marking.

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The post office has talked of issuing a Flower set of three values in the spring of 1958, in response to repeated requests of the stamp collectors on the island. A flower and animal set, depicting rare specimens not found in other parts of the world, had been scheduled before, but never materialized.

Another strong possibility is a stamp and souvenir sheet, along Japanese lines, to mark the 10th anniversary of the first Ryukyus issues in July 1958. This stamp

will probably depict the Shurei-



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Stamp Policies Of Israeli POD

In view of the many comments and questions which have arisen in recent months about the issues of Israel and in response to various direct questions about specific matters, the following official comment is offered by Leon Walters of New York. He is secretary of the Society of Israel Philate-lists and co-chairman of the ap-proaching "ISPEX" exhibition.

Mr. Walters discusses in order the subjects of the lack of information about the disposition of unused new issue stocks, the refusal of authorities to disclose printing totals, the charge of re-printing certain issues, price manipulation, profit motivation, unnecessary emissions, and the canceling of first day covers before the actual first day of is-sue. His statement follows:

Upon notification of withdraw Upon notification of withdrawal date—which is made known to dealers and can also be found in the philatelic press—the unused portions of the new issue stock at the philatelic services in the United States are checked by Israel Consular Officials. They are then taken in the presence of representatives of the Ministry of Finance for destruction to the incinerator at the office of the Inspector General of the United States Post Office in New York.

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A similiar procedure takes place in Irael under the supervision of The Ministry of Posts.
Only speculators and hoarders are actually interested in quantities printed. Israel is not the only country which withholds this information to safeguard the collector. In any case the individual who buys the stamp for his en-

joyment is very rarely interested in quantities.

At no time were commemorative stamp reprinted. Until the recent issues the practice of the philatelic services in Israel was to sell tab stamps only on the day of issue. However, as the hoarders and speculators took advantage of it by buying up all these preferred positions on the day of issue and selling them immediately afterward with considerable markup the government decided to: At no time were commemora decided to:

a, Make available additional stamps with tabs of the new is-sues and b, Sell them also on the second

in all the post offices in

Israel.
This action which caught most of the speculators by surprise is credited with:

credited with:

a, Weeding out the unnecessary elements (hoarders) from Israel philately who are now out of the picture and we hope will stay out, and
b, Enabling the average collector to buy the beautiful stamps of Israel from honest dealers at yery reasonable markups.

very reasonable markups.

In the light of the preceding answer it is clear who is to be blamed for this manipulation and

ices in Israel upon his recent visit

to this country.

To prove this point is a simple fact. In most countries dealers must buy full sheets in order to have some preferred positions (plate blocks, etc.). In the case of Israel tabs and blocks were always available to the dealer and collector alike. collector alike.

Also, the topics for new issues indicate that Israel is more interested in bringing to the world the glory of ancient Israel and the endeavors of the modern

Sooner or later every country is accused of issuing unnecessary stamps (as for example the criticism concerning the Columbian issue of the U. S. A. which incidentally was a drug on the market for many years and could have been purchased at below face). Everyone of us has different opinions, and consequently philately will always live with this complaint.

Concerning the cancellation of FDC prior to the date of issue, once again this is a common prac-Sooner or later every country

once again this is a common prac-tice used by practically every

In conclusion let me point out that most criticism started with the speculators who lost considerably and was spread by uninformed people and publications with an ax to grind. The popularity of Israel stamps did not suffer at all. Any dealer who sells new issues could attest that only hoarders have stopped buying.

The Society of Israel Philatelists enrolled in the last five months more than 400 new members and this influx is continuously growing at the rate of ten In conclusion let me point out

ously growing at the rate of ten to twenty new members per week. This is conclusive proof that Israel philately is increasing in popularity. This is the most important factor as far as our hobby is concerned.



MILITARY TRIBUNAL ANNIVERSARY. On April 1 Brazil issued a single commem in blue green with a value of 2.50Cr. for the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Supreme Military Tribunal. In the design is the seal of the body as well as a front view of the building in which it is housed. Manoel F. da Motta, Largo Madhado 11, Catete, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil provided the cover.



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April 28—Wekearny Stamp Club, Western Electric Co, Works, Kearny, N. J.
May 2-4—Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention, Statler Hotel, New York City.
May 3—Women's International Stamp Club, Collectors Club, 22 E. 35 St., New York, N. Y.: 1-5 p.m.
May 3—Abloin Stamp Club, Parker Inn, Abloin, Mich,
May 3-4—Montrey and Monterey Peninsula Stamp Clubs, USO Auditorium, Monterey, Calif.
May 3-4—CRYSTAPEX III, Crystal Lake Stamp Club, Central School Gym, Crystal Lake, Like, Ell.
May 4—June 2—Muskegon Stamp Club, Hackley Art Gallery, Muskegon, Mich.

May 5-10—Bridgeport Philatelic Club.
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Obtaining Stamps From The Ryukyus

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Owing to the procedural changes made by the Civil Administration of The Ryukyu Islands for obtaining stamps and first day covers from the Philatelic Agent of these Islands, an inquiry was sent to the United States Civil Administration of the Ryukyu Islands to clarify existing instructions.

Originally, domestic money orders were accepted and orders could be sent to USCAR, APO 331. This is no longer the case, orders now must be sent to the Philatelic Agent at Naha, Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, and an international money order must be used.

These changes mean that collectors must pay exchange rates well as 25c per half-ounce airmail instead of, as previously, no exchange charges and only 6c airmail per half-ounce to an APO address which could be used. This change, obviously, is an added expense to be borne by collectors desiring stamps and first day covers of Ryukyu emissions. The following quoted letter, in reply to the inquiry, clarifies the saution and gives the basic reasons for instituting the new system for obtaining stamps and covers from the Philatelic Agent of the Ryukyus.

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"From United States Civil Administration of the Ryukyu Islands/Office of the High Commissioner/APO 331/14 August 1957."

"Your inquiry concerning Ryukyuan stamps was referred to Mr. Earle N. Dotson. USCAR communications specialist, and his comments are provided as follows:

"The Government of the Ryukyu Islands (GRI) is a foreign organization in every sense of the word, and is not entitled to APO privileges. By the same token, they are not allowed the privilege of using U. S. domestic money order service, the latter being available only to military and civilian component employees in overseas posts, i. e., to the same people who are entitled to APO privileges." Since the organization of the

who are entitled to APO privileges.

"Since the organization of the GRI Philatelic Agency, in an effort to facilitate growth of sales of philatelic supplies, we have followed a system which, while not actually breaking postal regulations, might possibly be construed as stretching them somewhat. The United States Civil Administration has appointed a 'Philatelic Advisor' who, being an American citizen and an employee of the United States Civil Administration, is entitled to APO privileges and United States domestic money order services. Heretofore, such U. S. domestic money orders, forwarded to the Ryukus as payment for phil-

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PENERBANGAN NASIONAL". Translated that means Indonesia's Flight Day. To mark the occasion the postal administration released a set of five airmails each of which pictures a different type of aircraft. Denominations and colors are 10 sen chocolate, 15s. blue, 35s. orange, 50s. green and 75s. gray. The cover was sent by Tjiia Kok Hoa, Djalan Raja 296, Tjibadak, Java, Indonesia.

atelic purchases, have been made payable to the Philatelic Advisor, requiring that the latter indorse each such money order; cashing same at the local APO headquarters; converting the U. S. dollar proceededs therefrom to Ryukyuan Yen in the local banking institution; then turning the latter funds over to the GRI. This procedure is necessary for the obvious reason that the GRI is entitled to handle only Ryukyuan B Yen, and not any U. S. dollar instruments.

"This unwieldy procedure was allowed to continue for several years, for the reasons stated above. At the present time, the requirement that all philatelic customers are using international money orders and that they use the higher international airmail rates, is caused by the necessity to put the GRI on

much less onerous.'
"We trust that the foreging will be a atisfactory explanation of the recent increase in cost, and that you will do your best to give your readers a factual explanation of what brought about the

change.
"/S/ Mrs. Roberta Rastorfer/
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There's the answer. Irrespective of the increased cost of airmail and exchange charges, the stamps of the Ryukyu Islands are still a good investment. The popularity of these stamps as well as first day covers is on the increase and will so continue for a long time. While at the moment no new issues are definitely scheduled, collectors should remember the recent first day sell-outs and place their orders as soon as new items are announced. All orders should be addressed to the Philatelic Agent, Philatelic Agency, GRI, Naha, Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands. Use the international money order and remember the airmail rate is 25cper half - ounce.

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Include return postage of 8c per ounce surface mail (25c per halfounce airmail). The face value of the stamp is 43½c U.S.

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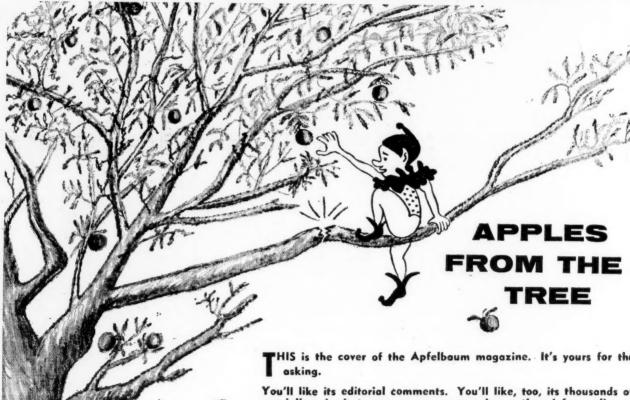


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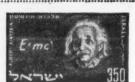
















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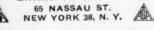
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Gibraltar's famous "Rock' made its first appearance 'n a postage stamp in 1931 (Scott Nos. 96-97. The next two higher de-nominations were added in 1932 nominations were added in 1932 and 1933 respectively. Since then, the KGVI and QEII pictorial issues have featured the famous landmark from every conceivable angle. In fact, this tiny area has been more than well covered with picture postcard fidelity on these attractive adhesives.

There are few other Commonwealth territories which have received such thoroughgoing graphic work depicting the local landscape. One view that could be added to good advantage would be a street scene showing the busy little main thoroughfare where shoppers from all corners

be a street scene showing the busy little main thoroughfare where shoppers from all corners of the globe congregate.

Movie goers among our readers may have caught a glimpse of this crown colony in the very entertaining English motion picture "The Captain's Paradise" starring Alec Guinness. A good part of the action took place in, and was filmed at, Gibraltar.

To the Commonwealth collector, Gibraltar has one great advantage. It did not acquire stamps of its own until relatively late, in 1886, thus automatically precluding the early classics so often within reach of only a few very well-heeled enthusiasts. However, an efficient postal service was in operation as early as 1857, using regular British stamps, which can be distinguished by the horizontal or vertical oval postmarks.

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At first they consisted of a "G" for Gibraltar, later of "A26", in both cases flanked by bars. Lower denominations with such cancellations can be picked up in London for a little as 75c per copy for the "A26" obliteration and from \$2.50 up for the "G" cancel. Of course, some values are quite rare with these postmarks and sometimes require years of search to track down. Covers, as always, are at a sub-

Covers, as always, are at a substantial premium. American collectors interested in such sideline excursions will have to rely mainly on British dealers as very few professionals on this side of the ocean understand or stock such material. Not that we blame them the demand here is too them, the demand here is too restricted to warrant the im-mense trouble and considerable expense of building up a repre-

expense of building up a representative stock.

Despite the lack of high priced classics, there are several stamps that are unfortunately out of reach for the collector on a budget. They come up at auction fairly regularly and those who can afford them generally manage to complete their Gibraltar collections, at least according to Scott's rather simplified listing, without too much delay.

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As we have mentioned in a previous installment, the volume of mail from Gibraltar, with a few notable exceptions, has always been sufficient to satisfy collectors' demand for postally used material

used material.

A major reason why such stamps still are usually no cheaper than their mint counterparts er than their mint counterparts lies in the preference of many English and Continental collectors for fine cancelled copies rather than mint ones!. (Continental philatelists take a keen interest in Gibraltar's issues which they require for their "All-Europe" albums).

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The point we want to make is that there is enough used material on the market in most instances so that such items do not bring the often substantial premium which similar issues of smaller colonies like Gibraltar habitually fetch. For the investment minded, the emissions of Gibraltar are as safe and sound as those of any of the Pritich are as those of any of the British possessions.

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mere is a brief list of some issues which we feel may be a shade underpriced at present:

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We sincerely hope that this series on Gibraltar has given you an appetite to concentrate on these fine stamps. There aren't too many issues to contend with, new issues are few and far between, and there are only a few "tough" numbers that will take a real bite out of your wallet.

This is a field well worth looking into, in case you are growing a little tired of your present favorites or have gone about as far as you can. If this looks as though we are boosting Gibraltar's stamps, we plead guilty. They really are tops!

Under the heading "Burmese Post Office Muddle", the London publication "Stamp Collecting" recently reported some startling information. It must be borne in

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are often tinged with a graph of disgruntled Englishmen.

It is perhaps only human that former officials, officers or businessmen, who only a few short years ago occupied exalted positions in the now newly independent states of Asia and Africa, should be resentful of the new rulers of these countries. Their thanks were thanks the state of the second thanks and the state of the second thanks are the second to the second thanks are the second to the second thanks are the second tha rulers of these countries. Their pride has been deeply hurt and all too often their bitterness hard-

all too often their bitterness hardly knows any bounds:
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it is clear that the standard of
their service is far below that demanded by the Universal Postal
Union. Businessmen estimate that four out of five foreign let-ters are never delivered (either in or out), and 'registration' is a farce which is no safeguard farce

in or out, and registration is a farce which is no safeguard whatever.

"The 'godowns' are crammed with parcels, letters and packets that nobody can apparently be bothered to sort or deliver, and any Burmese who wants to communicate urgently with the outside world gives his letter personally to the staff of foreign planes that land in Rangoon.

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Ryukyus Market Letter

The spectacular rise in prices of the Ryukyus issues early in 1957 was reflected in Scott, Minkus, and Gibbons catalogs. Gibbons, who issued their listings early in July, were forced to make substantial revisions upward in their August Journal.

Actual retail prices began to stabilize in the fall of 1957. Offerings of the 100 yen on 2 yen item in advertisements in the philatelic press were running about 50 percent of catalog. Retail prices for the 1950 regulars and airmails are firm. The early commemoratives are running about 50 percent of catalog while the later such issues are running about 50 percent of catalog while the later such issues are running about 50 percent of catalog while the later such issues are running about 50 percent of catalog while the later such issues are running about 50 percent of catalog while the later such issues are running about on the first day of sale and wholesale asking prices were well over double face. For the first time, a new stamp (the New Year II) was rationed by the Philatelic Agency.

With thes two emissions the American trend of collecting in sheets took hold in Ryukyu issues, so buyers greatly increased the demand and thus kept prices up. Money-wise they have not been disappointed as prices for these two issues have been very firm.

It is interesting to see what the market will be in the new Flowers set and the souvenir sheets scheduled for 1958. In any case, specialists are advised to send their orders early, and—most important—directly to the Philatelic Agency in Naha. Local buying agents have not been successful in getting their orders filled.

To provide a ready market for Ryukyus material of all types, the International Ryukyu Stamp and Coin Society (IRSACS) has arranged with an auction firm to handle all auction sales of Ryukyus material.

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In order to sustain popular interest in the Ryukyus, IRSACS has placed lots in other auctions. In most instances prices have been very satisfactory, and as the lots are always sold, the dealers have been very willing to handle them. Since much of this material is not ordinarily offered over the counter because of its high catalog value, these auction sales have been a boon to beginning specialists.

PLATE BLOCK -THOUGHTS and COMMENTS

By: M. X. Weiss 6 W. Eastwood Ave., Chicago 25, Ill.

OF THINGS TO COME

If anticipation represents a great part of pleasure, then you have much to look forward to within the space of ten weeks, April 17 to June 12. In that period six new commemoratives are to be issued nuls a new 25c regto be issued, plus a new 25c reg-ular. As of the date of this writing four of these six have been announced as 3c denominations

nations.

As it 10 0 ks from here, it is quite likely that the other two (George Mason-Gunston Hall Bicentennial, June 12, and Mackinac Straits Bridge dedication, June 25) will likely be 3c ones.

These current days are filled with an air of suspense, for it is possible that at any time the rise in the first-class postage rates could become a reality.

Lest anyone get the wrong im-

Lest anyone get the wrong impression, I personally am not in the least bit impatient for the change. I don't mind waiting a long time for it to take place.

long time for it to take place.

The concern of plate block collectors and specialists should be great at a time like this, with so many new issues bunched together. You could ill afford taking your leisure time in matching your complete sets as you may have done in the past. The main reason is that should a change in the postal rate take place you would then find it many times more difficult to get the very same 3c commemoratives that you had less trouble obtaining during the current 3c rate period. By way of appraising the task ahead one could base the size of the printings and the number of plates to be used with the averages used in recent years. Barring an occasional exception it.

ages used in recent years. Barring an occasional exception it appears likely that nearly all of these may be with four plate

numers.

In these six issues we will have a Famous American size for James Monroe, April 28, The format will be that used in the Ohio commemorative of 1953, and as a rule Famous American size commems have been pretty hard

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508 Conservation of the Giori press. Panes lie as flat as a rug and the perforations, going completely across the sheet, both ways, do make a neat appearing plate block when removed from the pane.

On March 22 we saw a revised printing of the 8c bi-color Statue of Liberty with one plate number. This was a Giori printing. This stamp originally came out four years ago with two plate numbers to each sheet. As in the case of such previous combinations it created a lot of turmoil and marked the beginning of an endless search for all possible combinations.

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In all there were 64 different with a total of 256 different plate blocks when assembled in all

Pan American Stamp

Agency Curtails Offers

After April 30 the postage stamps of El Salvador and Guatemala will no longer be available from the Philatelic Section of The Pan American Union in Washington D. C.

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four positions. I do not know of any one collector who has all 256 complete, although a handful

256 complete, although a handful have come pretty close.

As is usually the case, it is bad enough to attempt completing all numbers and positions on the regular issues when there is only one plate number to the sheet, but once combinations come into being, it is almost an endless undertaking to find all of them.

Therefore it is with considerable relief that we see this new 8c bi-colored Liberty finally coming out with one plate number and joining the ranks of all the other denominations in the Liberty series.

other denominations in the Liberty series.
Originally it was thought that 18 values, ½c through \$5, were adequate for popular use on all combinations of postage. However, recently it became apparent that two other denominations, left out when the new Liberty series was originally proposed, must be included. One is the 25c picturing Paul Revere, due April 18. The other one is the 15c graced by John Jay, and due to join the ranks of the Liberty series on December 12.

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News From The Three Germanies

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Swiss Publicity Designs Improve

On March 5 the Swiss Federal Postal Administration released its four publicity stamps for 1958, and they show, in my opinion, a great improvement over some of the issues of previous years. Certainly they are a great deal simpler, and possibly also more successful than designs produced for parallel occasions.

The 2,000th anniversary of the

for parallel occasions.

The 2,000th anniversary of the town of Nyon is characterized, for instance, by a drawing of the local castle and the Corinthian capital of a Roman column. This is infinitely more effective than the "2,000 years of Basle" stamp with its very involved symbolism of Munatius Plancus and a view of the Rhine Harbor, which complex composition was released last year.

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Incidentally, the head of Munatius Plancus on the stamp is taken from a statue erected by the Municipality of Basle about fifty years ago, and bears no resemblance whatsoever to the real Munatius Plancus, who is known only from the inscription on a gravestone found on the site. Whether he founded Basle at all is very much onen to doubt.

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The other stamps of the 1958 set mark the 2nd Exhibition of Swiss Women's Work, the 25th Anniversary of the Introduction of the Crossbow trademark for Swiss manufacturers, and the 75th anniversary of the work of the Salvation Army, respectively. They are again clean, simple, and carefully thought out designs, and represent a distinct raising of the artistic level of the publicity issues.

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Since these series were introduced in 1954, (they have now reached a total of 20 stamps) only about five really successful designs have been evolved. These are, in my opinion, the 1954 "Forestry Exhibition", the 1955 "Geneva Show", the 1956 "Gwissair" design, and the 1957 "Graphic" stamp. To these we might possibly add the "Football Championship" stamp of 1954. The rest have been pretty mediocre. have been pretty mediocre.

Hamburg International Show

First information has reached First information has reached me about the proposed interna-tional stamp exhibition scheduled for Hamburg in 1959. I know lit-tle more except the bare fact that this is planned, and that finan-cial support has been secured by permission to issue surcharged

permission to issue surcharged postage stamps.

In Germany, this is no mean feat. The Ministers of the Interior of all the German States and Berlin must separately give their assent to the proposal that surcharged stamps be sold in the territory under their jurisdiction. This is a piece of National Socialist legislation which the Federal authorities kept in being to avoid a proliferation of surcharged proliferation of surcharged

a proliferation of surcharged stamps.

Naturally, the Gauleiter's consent to anything emanating from Berlin was a foregone conclusion, but nowadays the rarity of stamps with surtax demonstrates the difficulty which bills of this nature have to encounter. With the exception of the annual "Helpers of Mankind" series, stamp exhibitions are virtually the only endeavors that ever have a chance of receiving the assent of all nine "Lander" and West Berlin. Perhaps, on reflection, that is not such a bad thing.

Statistics Corner

A Leipzig journalist has calculated that the calendar year 1957 saw 152 new postage stamps from East and West Germany, West Berlin and the Saar. They are made up as follows: 52 definitives, 40 of which are accounted for by the two new Saar issues; 7 airmail stamps all from East Germany; 4 officials, also from East Germany; 72 unsurcharged commemoratives. rom East Germany; 72 unsur-charged commemoratives, exact-ly half of which came from the D.D.R., with West Germany and West Berlin runners-up (19 and 13 respectively). There were 17 stamps with surcharge divided fairly evenly over the four con-stitutent territories stitutent territories.

The writer considers the West Berlin "Uta von Naumburg" issue to be the finest of the year, and its is indeed a very noble design which is deservedly popular. With the exception of the U.S.S. R. and possibly Roumania, German production seems to be a record for the world.

Forged Postmarks

Our contemporary "Die Sam-mler-Lupe" warns against a wide range of postmarks which have thing.

been confiscated by the German police and which were presum-ably used for the cancellation of ably used for the cancellation of mint stamps and remainders which became damaged by water. As least, that is the only explanation I can find for them, unless political skulduggery had something to do with it. Certain of the dates on the postmarks would make this a reality. The list is as follows: as follows:

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Berlin S.W.11, 20.12 56; Berlin W.15, 24.5.48; Brunn 3, Brno 3, 11.11.40; Kottbus, 21.3.46; Danzig, 13.10.23; Dresden, Altst. 16, 16.2.35; Kirchheim (Teck) 22.6.43; Krakau 1, 23.6.41; Leipzig S.12, 13.7.46; Leipzig C.17, 24.11.33; Lorach 1, 10.9.49; Luxembourg 1, 30.3.41; Memel 24.9.20; Prag 1 - Praha 1, 21.12.44; Reutlingen 1, 12.9.49; Riga (Riga), 17.7.44; Saarbrucken 3, 30.3.52; Schleswig 14.11.46; Wien 1, 25.7.36; and Berlin-Charlottenburg 2, 29.1.50.

If you have any stamps in your

If you have any stamps in your collection with cancellations of any of the above names and dates, it would be as well to verify the genuineness of the strikes.

Austria Plans New Airmail Stamp

It was long rumored that the Austrian Post Office planned re-lease of the four Schillings stamp to honor the inauguration of the newly-founded Austrian Air Lines Service from Vienna. When questioned, the Vienna postal di-rectorate admitted that designs

rectorate admitted that designs for this stamp were actually in preparation, but that no decision as to its issue had yet been taken. The denomination has been criticized because it is rather more than the airmail tariff to European countries and a good deal less than is required for most overseas destinations. In fact four Schillings exothy is the most overseas destinations. In fact, four Schillings exactly is the airmail fee from Austria to Spain, Portugal, Gibraltar and Turkey,

Portugal, Gibraltar and Turkey, which are not perhaps the most frequently used destinations.

For those who like puzzle solving, the badge of the Austrian Airlines consists of a flying symbol not unlike the conventional speedbird sign used by many air companies. companies, superimposed on a disc bearing the initials AUA. The stamp appeared March 25.

Liechtenstein Sports Exploitation

If the first of the Liechtenstein sports sets made some attempt to relate its designs to the sports practiced in the Principality, then the same cannot be said of its successors. Neither swimming nor fencing, tennis, or cycle racing is particularly the "forte" of the Liechtensteiner, yet they appear on Liechtenstein stamps and presumably for no better reason than that yet another set of sport-ing issues became due.

The denominations are some-

what lower, with a 90c top value, and it would appear that these stamps are used as required to make up denominations of the definitive sets when these become exhausted.

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The designs are as usual ex-The designs are as usual extremely competent pieces of work, by Prof. Josef Seger, who is also responsible for the very charming design of a relief view of the Principality which presumably forms the centerpiece of the Liechtenstein Pavilion at the Brussels World Fair. At any rate it is issued in honor of the occasion.

Still Plenty Of Kiloware

For those who like that sort of thing, the supply of kiloware seems to remain inexhaustible, and recent German advertisements continue to feature ample supplies for people with, presum-ably, more time and patience than I have. For instance, Bo-hemia and Moravia is still avail-

hemia and Moravia is still available in postally sealed boxes at 14.25 DM. per kilo. It appears to be mainly definitives— land-scapes, Hitler heads and officials. West German sealed kiloware no longer emanates from post offices, but the missions are making up special mixtures at between \$3.50 and \$8.00 a kilo box. East German material continues popular, and the authorities still deliver sealed parcels. Recent ofdeliver sealed parcels. Recent of-fers range from \$7.50 for one kilo ilicial mail and parcel-card clip pings, to ten times that amount for what is called "D.D.R./Super" full of commemoratives and com-plete sets with blocked values. Still on advertisements, I was

Still on advertisements, I was very pleased to note the re-emergence of offers of classic German material such as a full page devoted entirely to a listing of German States issues from Bavaria to Schleswig. For instance, Brunswick, Hamburg and Hanover appeared to be particularly complete and at moderate prices. With the general improvement which continues in the German philatelic situation, these kinds of announcements can only do good,

announcements can only do good, and a return of some of the classic pieces to the land of their origin is probably not a bad

Channel Islands Occupation Philately

For just plain, interesting reading as well as a source of much factual information, one of the most interesting items seen lately is that titled "Postal Affairs During / The German Occupation / of the / Channel Islands / 1940-1945", recently published in England. Written by William Newport and John Simpson after much research and compiling of much research and compiling of data, the 32-page, 4% x 7-inch booklet has much to recommend

booklet has much to philatelists.
"There have been many articles written on the postal affairs in the Channel Islands during the the Channel Islands during the German Occupation . . . None, however, tells the full story of that important period in the Island's postal history," state the authors in their introduction. "Now, thirteen years after the liberation," they continue, "we feel that we have pieced together sufficient information to write that story." Their work was well done.

done.

The booklet compiles in one place a great deal of information about such things as swastika overprints, bisects, occupation stamps, provisional markings, inter-island mail, franks, feldpost, POW and Internee mail, and on through to the liberation. It is recommended for collectors of Channel Islands, for collectors of war material, and for those who want merely an interesting evening's constructive reading.

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The price is \$1.25, postpaid, from the publishers, the Channel Islands Specialists' Society, Farm Cottage, 33 Halfway St., Sidcup, Kent, England Remittances may be made by international money order, bank draft or certified check.

Eugene Baker Elected By Chicago Suburbanites

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—Photograph, Riehle Studios, St. Paul.

Rotary ATA Unit Offers New Folder

The Rotary-On-Stamps unit of the American Topical Assn. has an-nounced the publication of a new 4-page folder containing basic in-4-page folder containing basic information about the Rotary International Golden Jubilee Issues of the world. The new publication was necessitated by the increasing number of inquiries received by the Unit from every corner of the world following publication of the new ATA Handbook No. 17 "Rotary International On Stamps".

Describing the five unique features of these "Rotaries" which have prompted such widespread interest among topical collectors, the folder also lists the primary stamps of the series together with catalog

folder also lists the primary stamps of the series together with catalog numbers. There is also general informative data about the early items, cachet designs, varieties and related material. The question "How Do I Go About It" is answered in a five-step program of procedure which will be a very helpful aid to everyone interested in these issues.

these issues.

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Engraving Head On Advisory Committee

Of paramount concern to philately, and especially that huge section of it which is concerned with the issues of the U. S., is the recent statement of the Post Office Department that an addition has been made to the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

Donald R. McLeod, superintendent of the Engraving Division of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, has been appointed an ex-officio member of this body whose first 'two 1958 designs were sharply criticized.

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has approved the designs submitted by the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee for the forthcoming Overland Mail, Atlantic Cable and Lincoln-Douglas Debates stamps. Details will be announced later, he stated.

Iowa Federation Show City, End Of May

New German Stamp Shows Congress Hall

On April 26 West Germany was scheduled to release a 3 marks single to note the new Congress Hall building in Berlin, according to Gimbel's Stamp and Coin Dept., New York.



The commem will carry a picture of the modernistic structure with a suitable caption: "KONGRESSHALLE / DEUTSCHE BUNDESPOST/BERLIN" at top, bottom and right, respectively. Details as to color and the quantity printed are not known.

2d On 11/2d Overprint Error, New Zealand

The New Zealand Post Office Department has announced that the early design of the Queen Elizabeth 1½d definitive (with small value numerals and small ornament in lower right corner) was withdrawn from sale December 31. The succeeding type, with large numeral and lacking the ornament, was reissued January 6 with the overprint "2d." The surcharge is in two types. In the original form, the disc obliterating the old value is larger than that in the second design. Of particular concern to collectors is the added statement that some sheets of the "small value" early issue were inadvertently overprinted and released in the Auckland area. No stocks of this variety are available at the post office, and collectors are admonished to watch their "common New Zealand" for possible copies of the error. of the error.

Arctic MPS Organized, Fort Richardson, Alaska

Spurred by mutual interest, the first meeting of a newly formed stamp collectors' club was held March 10 at Fort Richardson, Alaska to elect temporary officers

Sioux City, End Of May

The 8th annual exhibition of the Federation of Iowa Stamp Clubs has been scheduled for the Hotel Sheraton-Martin, Sioux City, May 31-June 1. Entry forms and other details are available from William Comar, 238 S. Judd St., Sioux City 3, Iowa.

Collectors of "big" material will find the rules of the affair to their liking, since exhibits may be mounted on album pages as usual or on cards or mats up to 28x22 inches in size to be displayed horizontally. Approximately 80 frames will be available.

Competitions will be held in six classes, with awards of ribbons and certificates, "Best Topical" and Grand Awards, and the Salstrom Trophy being offered.

March 10 at Fort Richardson, Alaska to elect temporary officers and lay plans for future group activities. Known as the Arctic Military Philatelic Society, it hopes that research will prove it to be the "most northern" club in the world.

Limited to participation by military personnel and their dependents, it is looking forward to becoming affiliated with a national society in the future. The initial meeting resulted in the election of SFC E. E. Steffens as president; SP-3 J. A. Barron, as vice president, and Capt. C. B. Leavenworth, secretary treasurer. Pending establishment of permanent mailing arrangements all correspondence should be addressed to Capt. C. B. Leavenworth, USA Supply & Maintenance Center, Alaska to elect temporary officers and lay plans for future group activities. Known as the Arctic Military Philatelic Society, it hopes that research will prove it to be the "most northern" club in the world.

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Monroe And IGY **Designers Named**

The Post Office Department has announced that Victor S. Mc-Closkey, Jr. of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing modeled the 3c James Monroe bicentennial stamp, after an original design by Frank P. Conley. The portrait and ornament were engraved by Charles A. Brooks, and the lettering and numerals by John S. Edmondson...

Charles R. Chickering and William K. Schrage collaborated in modeling the 3c International Geophysical Year commem, to be released in Chicago, Ill. May 31. It was based on an original design by Ervine Metzl, a member of the Postmaster General's Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee.

of the Postmaster General's Ciu-zens' Stamp Advisory Committee. The vignette was engraved by Richard M. Bower, and the letter-ing and numerals by Robert J. Jones. The printing of this stamp will be in two colors—orange and black—on the new Giori press.

Canada "SARPHEX" May 24; Sarnia, Ont.

The fifth annual exhibition of the Sarnia, Ont. and Port Huron, Mich. Stamp Clubs will be held in Sarnia on May 24. It will be known as "SARPHEX International V".

tional V".

To note the event, a copper engraved cacheted cover will be offered. It will feature the international aspect of the occasion by combining the maple leaf of Canada with two U. S. stars. Mailed from either home city, they are 15c each or 25c for one from each point. Covers with blocks of four are 35c each, a pair for 60c.

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Handstamps applied on Japanese postcards by postmasters in Okinawa. Miyako and Amami Oshima

RYUKYUAN STATIONERY (Continued from page 1)

administrations were operating independently with frequently differing policies. Each must be considered separately.

OKINAWA

War damage to the Okinawan economy and dislocation of the native population was so great that a free mail service was started as quickly as possible by American military government officials. It lasted until July 1, 1946, when B-Yen military cur-rency was put into circulation and a postal fee system inaugu-rated

rated.
Rates were 10 sen for post cards and 30 sen for letters. Cards and letter sheets were improvised from any available paper. Payment was indicated by prewar, fee-paid handstamps where available, or new handstamps in a similar pattern. In addition, the postal clerk noted in ink, pencil or brush the day and month, class of mail, weight and fee.

In the fall of 1947 military authorities ordered supplies of post-

In the fall of 1947 military authorities ordered supplies of postwar Japanese stamps and postal stationery from Tokyo. These were then turned over to HIRATA Shiichi, chief of the Communications Bureau, who had them overprinted in black with his personal seal. They were issued November 1, 1947 and discontinued June 30, 1948. Three items of Japanese postal stationery were given the Hirata overprint: print:

15-Sen Cherry Postal Card

The 15-sen Japanese postal card of the 1946 Cherry Blossom card of the 1940 Cherry Blossom design, printed in red on gray pa-per, was sold for 10 sen, the Okinawa post card rate. Mori re-ports 70,000 overprinted, 39,220 sold and a remainder of 30,780. These were later overprinted for official use.

15-Sen Cherry Double Card

The green on gray 15 plus 15 sen double card in the Cherry Blossom design was sold at 20 sen. One thousand were overprinted of which only 252 were sold. The rest were used later for official business.

30-Sen Letter Sheet

The 30-sen orange-red The 30-sen orange-red Japa-nese letter sheet in the 1946 Diet Building design was sold at face value, since it matched the Okinawan letter rate. Of 1000 overprinted, 839 were reported sold.

AMAMI OSHIMA

Although American military forces reached Naze with relief supplies early in December 1945, the Japanese prefectural branch office continued to function until March 13, 1946, when a Navy military government team from Okinawa took control of all civil

Mail service to Japan was sus-

cards and 1 yen for letters effec-tive November 10, 1946. Provisional stationery of sim-

ple design was printed at the Higo plant in Naze to meet these rates. The cards and letter sheets were validated at the individual post offices before sale with the Japanese prewar fee paid handstamps.

stamps.

Beginning in June 1947 post offices were issued new bilingual fee paid handstamps designed to meet Universal Postal Union regulations for international mail. These are usually in black but have been seen in orange-red and purple. purple.

50-Sen Postal Card

50-Sen Postal Card

The first 50-sen postal card, printed in black on thin gray paper in the vertical Japanese format, is 90 x 140mm (3½" x 5½") in size, and has the stamp imprint at the upper right. All later cards have the imprint in the more familiar position at the upper left. The imprinted stamp is a 15mm broken-line square with rounded corners, enclosing 50 in Arabic numerals and SEN in kanji. YUBIN HAGAKI (post card) is at the top in five kanji and syllabic characters reading and syllabic characters reading right to left in the prewar Japanese style.

There are at least two minor

varieties:

Type A—The zero in the de-nomination is larger than the five, and from an obviously dif-

ferent font.

Type B—The zero and five are the same size but the zero prints much more clearly.

Much more clearly.

No information is available on the number of these cards printed. Since it was necessary to prepare 50-sen provisionals by a variety of methods early in 1947, its seems likely the number was rather small. rather small.

1-Yen Letter Sheet

A 1-yen letter sheet also was issued November 10, 1946. In the standard Japanese three-fold format, it was printed in black on thin grayish paper and measured 80 x 158mm (3 1/8" x 6¼") folded.

The imprinted stamp is at the upper right, a 15 x 19mm wavy-line rectangle with rounded corners. The denomination is expressed in the Arabic numeral 1 and YEN in smaller Roman capitals

POSt CaYd appears at the top with card mispelled and in mixed capital and lower case letters from several fonts.

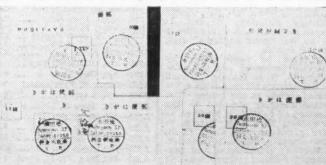
from several fonts.

The letter sheets are perforated about 7 or 8mm from the edge along the long sides of the unfolded sheet, presumably to aid in opening a sealed sheet, but there is no gum either along the edge or the flap. There are printed fold lines in two places across the sheet with the kanji characters ORIME (fold) centered on them.

The quantity printed is given by Mori as 10,000.

Mail service to Japan was suspended for a time, but was resumed August 23, 1946 with rates of 5 sen for post cards and 10 sen for letters. Japanese postal stationery and stamps were used without overprint.

Stationery supplies were soon depleted. Military government officials ordered postal cards and letter sheets printed locally. Since rates had been increased in Japan new rates for mail to with all but the lower left corner with the limit and local rates were increased to 15 sen for post cards and 30 sen for letters on December 10, 1946, and new cards and letter sheets were provided. The cards were printed on a thin white paper with the imprinted same left. Japan new rates for mail to with all but the lower-lieft corner Japan were set at 50 sen for post rounded. The 15 is in Arabic



These are the main varieties of locally-printed postal stationery in Amami Oshima Gunto.

numerals and then SEN in kanji.
YUBIN HAGAKI is at the top in
five characters reading right to
left and there is a new legend
at the bottom, PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT FOR THE
NORTHERN NANSEI ISLAND
GROUP in ten kanji characters
reading right to left.
These cards remained in use
until May 1949, and were reprinted several times, so that a number of varieties exists. Mori reports four types, the first three
readily distinguishable by the
size of the card, the fourth by
the width of the PROVISIONAL
GOVERNMENT legend:
Card Size
Yubin Prov.
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Hagaki Gov. Width Width Type A—84-6 x 134-5mm

Type B—94-5 x 134 32 45
Type C—93-4 x 143-4
Type D—92 x 144 32.5 43

Type D—92 x 141 35 48
A 15-sen card printed in red has been reported, but no details are available. It is possible that this represents an official use. Other cards have been validated in red with a postmaster's official seal instead of the usual fee paid handstamp.

Mori gives the total number of 15-sen cards printed as 100,000.

30-Sen Letter Sheet

The 30-sen local letter sheet issued November 10, 1946 is in the same format as the 1-yen sheet, but all inscriptions are in kanji. The imprinted stamp is at the upper left in the same 15 x 19mm wavy line rectangle and the folded size is 80 x 158mm (3 1/8" x 64"). The 30 of the denomination is in Arabic numerals, with the three from a larger font than the zero. The SEN is in kanji. in kanji.

Instead of the erroneous "Post

Card" inscription of the 1-yen sheet, there are six kanji characters at the top, reading right to left, for the Japanese YUBIN FUKAN HAGAKI (sealed post card). The kanji ORIME is centered on the two fold lines. Card'

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SHOWN AT A RECENT MEETING OF THE CITIZENS' STAMP ADVISORY COMMITTEE at the Post Office Department in Washington, D. C. are, left to right: Robert E. Fellers, former director, Division of Philately; Bernard Davis, director, National Philatelic Museum; Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., present director, Division of Philately; Robert Sivard, special assistant to, and alternate for Abbott Washburn, deputy director, U. S. Information Agency; Mrs. Lee F. Bowler, administrative assistant to L. Rohe Walter, special assistant to the Postmaster General; Mr. Walter; Herman L. R. Emmet, Jr., information officer in Mr. Walter's office; Arnold J. Copeland, The Westport Artists; William H. Buckley, New York Art Directors Club; Ervine Metzl, Society of Illustrators; H. L. Lindquist, chairman of the National Federation of Stamp Clubs; and Sol Glass, president of the Bureau Issues Assn., Inc.

RYUKYUAN STATIONERY (Continued from page 20)

for use to Japan Type C of the 15-sen one was revalued, probably early in 1947. The overprint is a 50 in Arabic numerals with two lines beneath to delete the 15.

Mori reports that 15-sen cards were revalued both by handstamps and by writing in ink, and that the surcharges differ in appearance from one office to another.

other.

50-Sen on 30-Sen Postal Card
In April 1947 a new supply of cards was ordered prepared for use to Japan, but the denomination was erroneously printed as 30 sen. Postal officials ordered the cards revalued to 50 sen.

The basic card, on thin white paper, is 84-6 x 134-5mm (3 3/8" x 5½") the same size as Type A of the 15-sen cards. The imprinted stamp is at the upper left, a 15 x 16mm broken-line rectangle with all but the lower left corner rounded. The 30 is in Arabic numerals, the SEN in kanji. YU-BIN HAGAKI is at the top and PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT etc. at the bottom.

PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT etc. at the bottom.

There are at least two settings, distinguishable particularly at the lower left corner of the broken-line frame and the KI of HAGAKI, the first character at the left in the right-to-left inscription.

the left in the right-to-left in-scription.

There are also at least two types of overprint:

Type A—Revalued 50 sen by means of the money order hand-stamp in three large kanji char-acters reading down and measuring 20mm top to bottom of the overprint.

Type B—Revalued 50 sen with

the same Arabic numerals used to overprint the 15-sen postal

The quantity issued is given by

Mori as 30,000. 50-Sen Postal Card

New 50-sen cards were issued in April 1949 for use to Japan. Printed on thin grayish paper, they are 90-2 x 140-2mm (3½" x 5½") in size. There are two obvious differences from the earlier 50-sen card. The imprinted stamp, in a 15 x 17mm brokenline rectangle without rounded corners, is at the upper left instead of the upper right. And the kanji Yubin Hagaki is much wider spaced, 32 instead of 28mm. The card comes in two major types:

military government late in 1947 ordered that all Japanese stamps in public stocks or private hands be validated with a KEN (for examined) handstamp before use. On February 1, 1948 stamps without the overprint were prohib-

ited.

The same KEN overprint in two different types was applied to small stocks of Japanese postal eards of low denomination which were also validated with the usual fee paid handstamp and presumably sold over the counter for 15 sen, the local post card

The Japanese cards are all of cards also were handstamped the same design, with an oval at the upper left picturing the kanji.

EDITORS NOTE

Mr. Faries with this article on the Postal Stationery of the Ryukyu Islands has written a study which can be considered the standard, authoritative refshe standard, authoritative reference on the subject. His thorough delving into this special field was aided by the availability of several collections for his investigation and by the fine cooperation of fellow collectors. Mr. Faries is stamp editor of the Sunday Star, Washington, D. C.

equestrian statue of KUSUNOKI
Masashige, the fourteenth century general noted for his loyalty
to his emperor, which stands in
the outer gardens of the Imperial
Palace in Tokyo.

Three denominations were
overprinted:
2-sen vermilion the retain of

2-sen vermilion, the rate in effect when the design was adopted August 1, 1937. 3-sen brown, the rate adopted in April 1944.

3-sen brown, the rate adopted in April 1944.

5-sen indigo, the rate adopted in April 1945.

Mori reports that two types of the KEN overprints were applied to postal stationery, and that the handstamp was applied to the 2-sen card in purple, the 3-sen in black, purple and red, and the 5-sen in blue.

The quantity is unknown, but probably was very small since the stocks of prewar Japanese cards had been pretty well used up before the introduction of the provisional stationery in November of 1946.

Regular Ryukyu stationery arrived in Naze for use starting July 1, 1948, but rates were not unified by the four gunto governments until the following year and the Amami provisional stationery continued in use. It was the results of the sentence of and the Amami provisional stationery continued in use. It was finally demonetized when the Ryukyu Postal Administration took over April 1, 1950.

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Type A—The Arabic numerals for 50 are in a Roman face.

Type B—The numerals are in an italic. There are at least two settings of this type, distinguishable in the broken-line frame.

For this card Mori gives the number printed as 50,000.

Ken Overprints

Prewar stocks of Japanese stamps remained valid for local use. However, postwar Japanese stamps are mined as 50,000.

Ken Overprints

Prewar stocks of Japanese stamps remained valid for local use. However, postwar Japanese stamps and stationery were received from Okinawa. Mori reports that the shipment included 15-sen single and double cards in the 1946 Cherry Blossom design on gray paper and the 30-yen letter sheet picturing the Diet Building.

The 15-sen single cards were sold at 50 sen, the local post card at the They were issued in two forms:

15-sen red Japanese Cherry Blossom card with Tomiyama seal in orange-red.

The same card with an additional printed and orange-red.

The same card with an additional printed and progress and seal in orange-red.

seal in orange-red.

The same card with an additional orange-red overprint of two kanji characters NGAI KO-KU was sold at 1 yen for "foreign" use to Jaapn.

A 'special fee paid handstamp with 3 YEN and PAID in English was used for high values and international mail! In 1950 a provisional airmail card for use to sional airmail eard for use to Japan was created by using a similar handstamp on the 10-sen regular Ryukyu card of 1948. The 26 x 19mm black handstamp has Yen and space for an 8.40 manu-Yen and space for an 8.40 manu-script figure in the upper half and PAID in the lower half. The

YAEYAMA An American military government team set up a civilian administration at Ishigaki in Yaeyama, southernmost of the Ryukyu Islands, late in December of 1945

1945.

Unoverprinted Japanese stamps remained in use for local mail until July 1947. Fee paid markings were used on "foreign mail". Japanese 3-sen postal tards of the Kusunoki design were valid, but a series of rate increases soon made their use impractical without a fee paid mark. The rate went from 3 sen to 10 sen May 1, 1946, to 15 sen October 1, 1946, and to 50 sen April 1, 1947.

Between January and July 1948 Japanese stamps were validated with the personal seal of MIYA-RA Kempuku, chief of the Communications Bureau, but the Miyara seal was not applied to postal stationary.

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al stationery.

Late in 1949, after Yaeyama
had adopted uniform rates but

while it still had its own postal administration, the 15-sen Ryu-kyu card of the Dei Goh design was used with a fee paid hand-stamp as a 50-sen card. stamp as a 50-sen card.
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Values are 10 markkas plus 2mk., 20mk. plus 3mk., and 30mk. plus 5mk. They show, in order, a common hepatica (Anemone hepatica), a red clover (Trifolum pratense), and a lily-of-the-valley (Convallaria majalis). Engraving was by B. Ekholm, R. Achren and E. Paakkari, respectively. One half million of the low value and 400,000 of each of the other two denominations were printed.

Silver Cross On New Malta Set Of Three

A special issue of three values has been printed for Malta by Harrison & Sons Ltd., London, to commemorate the awarding of the George Cross to the island.

The designs depict three phases of war-time Malta; each also carries a portrait of the Queen and a reproduction in silver of the George Cross.

George Cross.



First day of issue was April 15 with sales limited to seven days, the Crown Agents representative in Washington, D. C. reported. in Washington, D. C. reported. Values and colors are 1½d black and green, 3d black and red, and 1/- black and violet.

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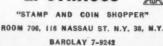
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The features of the show will

The features of the show will be an exhibition of more than 100 frames, of stamps, a dealers bourse, and on Saturday at 6 p. m. the annual banquet. It will be held in the Parish Hall dining

The exhibition and bourse will be open from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. on Saturday and from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Sunday. Stamp clubs from Central and Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia and parts of New York will participate.

interpretation about the event can be secured from George M. Altstetter, 146 Rambo St., Johnstown, Pa. Banquet reservations can be made with Ramon Cooper, 564 Cypress Ave., Johnstown, Pa. In addition to serving as host club for the occasion, the Johnstown group will sponsor a cachet to mark the event. It will feature a design reminiscent of the fancy cork cancellations of the olden days, and will be available on both dates of the meeting. The price is 10c each for either date desired; orders may be sent to Homer L. Jones, R. 252 Derby St., Johnstown, Pa.

Ghana Conference Three From Ethiopia

The April 15-22 Conference of Independent African Nations which was held in Accra, Ghana is being noted philatelically by Ethiopia. A set of three values is now in preparation to mark the



The commem design shows a small portrait of Emperor Haille Selassie at the upper right, with the central portion devoted to a map of Africa surrounded by a wreath with a flying dove at the top. The map is fashioned like that of the Ghana Conference shilling values, with the continent dark and the free areas light.

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BELGIUM. A 2.50fr. commem showing a posthorn at the top center with "1958" in the center of it was issued for the postal museum exhibition held March 16-23. 16-23.

CHILE. The 400th anniversary of the founding of Osorno has been commemorated with the issuance of a set of three: the 10 Peso red shows the coat of arms of Osorno; 50P. green, portrait of Garcia Hdo. de Mendoza; and 100P. blue, portrait of Adm. Ambrosio O'Higgins.

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The Antarctic set will consist of postage: 10P. blue, Araucana song; 20P. red, Antarctic Territory; 100P. green, Beagle Channel; and 500P. violet, Tordesillas Treaty. Airmail values: 20P. violet, Araucana song; 100P. red, Antarctic Territory; and 500P. blue, Tordesillas Treaty.

The 10P. postage and 20P. airmail will also appear surcharged "Ano Geofiscio Internacional 1957-58".

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CUBA. In honor of Jose Igna-cio Rivero y Alonso, director of the periodical "Diario de la Mari-na", two stamps were issued on the periodical "Diario de la Marina", two stamps were issued on April 1. The 4c postage bears his portrait and the 29c airmail shows a reproduction of the old periodical building.

FRANCE. France's pavilion at the Brussels Fair is pictured on a 35fr. adhesive issued on April 12.

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A green and red 15fr. + 5fr. single showing the distribution of mail by truck was issued on March 15, the surtax going to the Red Cross.

HAITI. The United Nations is to be honored by a set of five commems in denominations of 10c, 25c, 50c, 75c, and 1G.

JAPAN. The Asian Olympic games will be noted by the issuance on May 24 of four stamps. The values will be 5, 10, 14, and 24 yen.

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NETHERLANDS. The set of Summer semipostals is to be issued on April 28. It will depict women-in Dutch costumes of the various provinces: 4c plus 4c blue, Zealand; 6c plus 4c yellow, Marken; 8c plus 4c carmine red, Scheveningen; 12c plus 9c brown, Frisian; and 30c plus 9c purple, Volendam.

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SPANISH GUINEA. The sports SPANISH GUINEA. The sports issued on April 10 comprises the following values and designs: 5c, boxing; 10c, basketball; 15c, jumping; 80c running; 1 Peseta boxing; 2Pts., basketball; 2.30Pts., jumping; and 3Pts., running.

VATICAN CITY. 35, 60, 100, and 300 Lire stamps will comprise the set to be issued in late April for the Brussels World Fair.

Stamp Personage Adds Further Details

"The American Missionary on the Liberian stamp" as described in Linn's of April 7 has written from her present home in South Bend, Ind. to add some interesting information about her appearance on the 25c airmail adhesive of 1954. This is Scott No. C80 which shows Dora Lee Allen, originally from Hinton, W. Va., with a group of five Liberian youngsters. Miss Allen now explains:

plains:
"No one could have been more surprised than I to find in your issue No. 1535 the story about the Liberian stamp carrying my

picture.
"A few of the fact behind the "A few of the fact behind the stamp are not clear in your article. Philatelists may like to know that this stamp was one of the 1954 set issued to honor the United Nations and was not a geography class as described by Scott.

"I was not a missionary. The work for which this stamp was issued was under the auspices of the Liberian government. I was employed by it to teach about

of the Liberian government. I was employed by it to teach about the UN in Liberian schools. Lithe UN in Liberian schools. Liberia was one of the first countries in the world to include such a course in its curriculum from elementary grades through the university.

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"For collectors of world-wide UN stamps it should be of inter-est to know that this set was is-sued to honor the technical as-sistance program of the UN. I am, of course, proud of having had a part in it. Credit should go to the Liberian government for its commendable foresight."

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Linn's Weekly Stamp News

Duluth Arrow Head

Club Has Show, Cachet

The Arrow Head Stamp Club has scheduled its tenth annual exhibition for June 16-20 in the Northern Minnesota National Bank Bidg., Duluth, Minn. To mark the event, a special cacheted cover is being prepared.



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CAPITALS

It will depict events from the Minnesota Centennial, and will be franked with the Centennial stamp. Priced at 10c each, 3 for 25c, serviced covers may be ordered from Mrs. Glenn Loyd, 2218 Hughitt Ave., Superior, Wis. She will also answer queries about the exhibition details if desired.

CAPITALS

The mildest form of Precancelitis is the forming of a collection of precancels from each of the different state capitals with perhaps the nation's capital thrown in. Once in a while the various territories are included too. But I am concerned now with those of the various states. In my opinion the most difficult capital to obtain is Carson City, Nevada. There seems to be a half dozen tough ones, none which is scarcer than the others—Dover, Del., Pierre, S. D., Cheyenne, Wyo., Frankfort, Ky., Baton Rouge, La., and Bismark, North Dakota.

Montpelier, Vt., Annapolis, Md., and Santa Fe, N. M., also give some trouble. It also is a tougher proposition to form the collection from Local precancels only. A mixed Bureau and Local collection is not so difficult, but Carson City is still the stickler. It also is the one that stops the collector from making an all-Bureau capital collection.

NOTES

A 3c Liberty is in from Fremont, Ohio in the electro type used there. And speaking of Ohio, the "BUCKEYE" was mailed from Burghill, Ohio. I have just edited copy for the Seventh Edition of the Scarce Town List and sent it to the printers. It will be released in April.

From out Mid-West way comes the "Nebraska News" mailed with 1c Liberties from Bladen, Nebr. The Nebraska count now is 409 Towns and 635 Types.

Rocky Mountain Cachet May 23-25

In connection with the group's ninth annual exhibition and bourse, the Rocky Mountain Phil-atelic Exhibitions, Inc. of Denver, Colo. will sponsor a cacheted cover. The second of a proposed series of three or four featuring the old west, this one will note the 1858 discovery of gold in the state.

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Mr. Perry had served as a trustee of the institution from 1912 until his death. His father had been a president of it and his grandfather its founder. The cachet will feature the cupola of the oldest building on the campus, and the stuffer will give details of Mr. Perry's life and philatelic activities.

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"Hunt's End" is proving to be "Hunt's End" is proving to be just what its name implies to many approval customers of Earl P. L. Apfelbaum, Inc., 1428 S. Penn Sq., Philadelphia 2, Pa. The name describes the firm's innovation in approval sendings—a 5½ x 8½ folder in which approval pages are fastened, with a "Grandma Moses" style design on the cover. They are sent only on request, and only to adults.

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van der Linden, veteran collector and newspaperman, Box B, North-wood, Iowa. Three different two-color designs are offered in his ad in this issue, at 20c each or the complete, matched set for 50c. They feature respectively the state flower, centennial emblem, and state and territory seals.

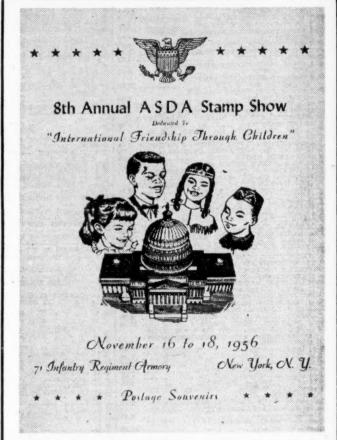
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Interest in UN is as high as ever, and merchandise that is priced right is in great demand, reports Don M. Diers of Stamp Post, 4423 W. Lisbon Ave., Milwaukee 8, Wis. "Our March 24 UN ad was a tremendous success," he stated. "A lot of the material was completely sold out, and we have decided to offer another similar lot of foreign and UN to Linn's readers in the current issue."

Small Lincoln "Library" Postal Cards At Agency

The Philatelic Agency, Washington 25, D. C. reports that it now has in stock a supply of the No. 5 Lincoln "Library" postal card, which is rarely available excepting at a few of the larger post offices. post offices.

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